



## **BEARFACTS 1988 – 1998**

### **Pocahontas , West Virginia [54075]**

Pocahontas is one of 55 counties in West Virginia. It is not part of a Metropolitan Area. Its 1998 population of 9,211 ranked 48th in the state.

#### **PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME**

In 1998 Pocahontas had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of \$19,296. This PCPI ranked 20th in the state and was 95 percent of the state average, \$20,226, and 72 percent of the national average, \$26,883. The 1998 PCPI reflected an increase of 7.6 percent from 1997. The 1997-1998 state change was 5.1 percent and the national change was 6.1 percent. In 1988 the PCPI of Pocahontas was \$10,714 and ranked 31st in the state. The 1988-1998 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 6.1 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 4.9 percent and for the nation was 4.5 percent.

#### **TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME**

In 1998 Pocahontas had a total personal income (TPI) of \$177,732\*. This TPI ranked 44th in the state and accounted for 0.5 percent of the state total. In 1988 the TPI of Pocahontas was \$98,269\* and ranked 46th in the state. The 1998 TPI reflected an increase of 8.2 percent from 1997. The 1997-1998 state change was 4.9 percent and the national change was 7.4 percent. The 1988-1998 average annual growth rate of TPI was 6.1 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 4.8 percent and for the nation was 5.8 percent.

#### **COMPONENTS OF TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME**

Total personal income includes net earnings by place of residence; dividends, interest, and rent; and personal current transfer receipts received by the residents of Pocahontas. In 1998 net earnings accounted for 52.4 percent of TPI (compared with 55.7 in 1988); dividends, interest, and rent were 17.4 percent (compared with 18.6 in 1988); and personal current transfer receipts were 30.2 percent (compared with 25.8 in 1988). From 1997 to 1998 net earnings increased 8.4 percent; dividends, interest, and rent increased 11.1 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased 6.1 percent. From 1988 to 1998 net earnings increased on average 5.5 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent increased on average 5.4 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 7.8 percent.

#### **EARNINGS BY PLACE OF WORK**

Earnings of persons employed in Pocahontas increased from \$104,224\* in 1997 to \$114,008\* in 1998, an increase of 9.4 percent. The 1997-1998 state change was 4.3 percent and the national change was 7.8 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1988 estimate of \$65,674\* to the 1998 estimate was 5.7 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 4.3 percent and for the nation was 5.5 percent.

*\*Note: All income estimates with the exception of PCPI are in thousands of dollars, not adjusted for inflation.*

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